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SUBJECT:

Communist Party Training Schools and Related Activities in Latin

America

1. The Communist strategy of achieving a "peaceful transition" to Socialism has required increased emphasis on the organizational and ideological training of party members. A major purpose of this training is to provide Communists operating within the "enersy camp" (i.e., in mass movements, institutions, and organizations dominated by non-Communists) with the arguments and the faith necessary to undermine bourgeois and imperialist ideas and to establish Marxist points of view. In Latin America, where the Communists represent a very small minerity, there has been particular emphasis on this strategy and the training associated with it.

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The attached brief, prepared by the of this Staff in response to a request from an outside agency, consolidates information concerning training activities undertaken by Communist parties in Latin America. Information concerning the organization of formal schools and training courses is admittedly incomplete, as is knowledge of less formal study and discussion of important tactical and ideological matters such as those treated in party theoretical journals or international publications such as Problems of Peace and Socialism (World Marxist Review.)

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3. A copy of this study is being sent directly to DDI/5RS; additional copies are attached for your distribution to other DDI components if desired. Distribution is being made to other U.S. agencies; this was approved by 25X1A8a

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